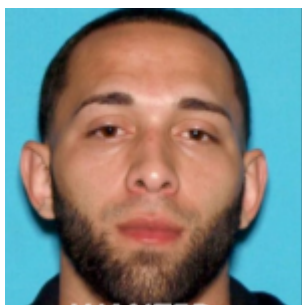
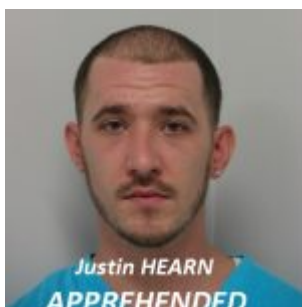
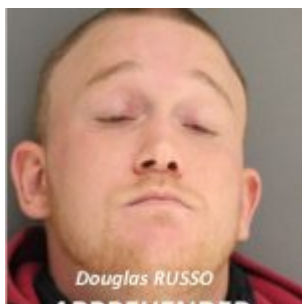


***UPDATE-Arrests Made* Troopers Investigating Taxi Cab Robbery- Seek Publics Assistance**



Wilmington – Delaware State Police detectives have apprehended two of the three suspects wanted in connection with the January 1, 2018, attempted armed robbery of a taxi cab driver that took place on Philadelphia Pike in the area of Silverside Road, Wilmington.

Through various investigative leads and measures detectives were able to positively identify Justin Hearn, 30, and Douglas Russo, 26, both of Wilmington, as the two previously unidentified suspects involved in the incident. It was also

determined that Hearn was the suspect who brandished the knife during the robbery attempt.

A third suspect, Ismael Ramos, 32, of Vineland NJ, who was positively identified at the time of the original incident, remains at large.

On Wednesday, January 17, 2018, Hearn was apprehended by members of the Delaware State Police Sex Offender Apprehension & Registration Unit (SOAR), assisted by members of the U.S. Marshalls Task Force for a sex offender registration violation and committed to the Howard R. Young Correctional Institution in lieu of \$2000.00 secured bond.

Hearn's arraignment for Attempted Robbery 1st Degree, Possession of a Deadly Weapon during the Commission of a Felony and Conspiracy 2nd Degree charges, related to this incident, is pending.

Subsequent to a search warrant being executed at his residence on this same date, Russo was taken in to custody without incident. Russo was transported to Delaware State Police Troop 2, where he was formally charged with one count each of Attempted Robbery 1st Degree and Conspiracy 2nd Degree, before being committed to the Howard R. Young Correctional Institution, in lieu of \$21,000.00 secured bail.

Anyone with information regarding the whereabouts of Ramos is asked to contact Detective A. Andres at 302-365-8501 or by calling 911.

Information may also be provided by calling Delaware crime stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at <http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com>

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